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## NOTICES.

The list of "Officials of the Association" has been omitted from this number, as the addresses take up so much room.

The Editor wishes to thank most heartily the following students who have helped so efficiently to bring the address list up-to-date: Misses Bradley, Davis, Drury, Edwards, Francis, Franklin, M. Good, W. S. Henderson, Lobjoit, Pollard, Harriet Smeeton, Tillman, Wood, and Mrs. Hughes-Jones. The Editor will be most grateful to receive any information about the uncertain or unknown addresses.

Several references will be found in this number to Miss Krüger's "Phono-Rhythmic Method of French Pronunciation." Miss Krüger gave a lecture on her method at 50, Porchester Terrace, some little time ago, of which a short account will be found further on, and her success is amazing, not only in obtaining and giving to her pupils an irreproachable accent, but also in teaching others how to pass on this accent to their pupils. We all know how difficult that is!

In answer to a request from the S.E.C., Miss Krüger is most kindly going to give a Free Lecture on the method on Saturday, February 1st, at 3.30 p.m., at 13, Chilworth Street, W.—that is, on the day of the regular Students' Meeting. All students who can possibly do so should come to this lecture, and afterwards those who wish can make up a class and have lessons from Miss Krüger. Will those who are coming let Miss Evans know a few days beforehand, so that she may know how many to expect?

It has been suggested, owing to the keen interest roused by the Morris Dancing at the Students' Meeting in November, that it would be a good plan to arrange for a professional lady to come and give us a lesson at the March meeting; that would be on March 1st. Miss Evans very kindly says she would be pleased to arrange for this if we could guarantee a sufficiently large attendance to make it worth while. The fee would be 10s. 6d., and of course, the greater the number of students, the less would be the cost per head. Will all students who could come let Miss Gray know by February 1st, if possible, so that arrangements can be made.

It has been suggested that more use might be made of the *Children's Quarterly* for the children themselves to write in. It would be so interesting for children to read what others like themselves had found out or seen. Perhaps students will see their way to suggesting this to their pupils.

Several most interesting articles have had to be held over for the next number owing to want of space.

The next number of L'UMILE PIANTA will appear on March 15th. All communications should reach the Editor not later than February 23rd.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Will students kindly bear in mind that the subscriptions for the current year—1913—are now due. The Treasurer is very grateful to all those who send so regularly without



any further reminder, and hopes that this year their number will be larger than ever before. There are still at least twenty members who have not yet sent theirs for 1912, and it would save trouble both to themselves and the Treasurer if they would send both years' subscription together. If anyone feels doubtful as to whether she has paid or not, information will willingly be given on receiving a postcard. Please send to—

MISS GRAY,  
5, Old Palace Lane,  
Richmond, Surrey.

### STUDENTS' MEETINGS.

*November 2nd.*—One might almost refer to the "hilarious" gathering at 13, Chilworth Street, on Saturday, November 2nd. Some of us went under the impression that there was to be an exhibition of Morris Dances, and a lesson to be given by a professional teacher, as was suggested at the October meeting. None, or comparatively few, communicated with Miss Evans, who had promised to make the necessary arrangements; accordingly she did not engage an instructor, but a record number of students turned up at the meeting, each thinking to be a spectator. However, what looked at first sight like a disappointment proved to be the greatest success. Miss Evans, whose pupils took part in the dances at Winchester, very kindly gave us a lesson which could not possibly have been excelled by any "professional"; in fact, the sense of "camaraderie" and enthusiasm was so great that one fancied herself back in the dear old classroom as a junior once again! The merriment was boundless as we grew in keenness to learn "just one more" dance.

The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Evans for the happy—yes, and profitable—time we had spent

together; and another hearty vote was also given to Miss Young, who had kindly presided at the piano.

The students present were: Mrs. Hughes-Jones, Misses Bernau, Chaplin, Davis, Evans, Franklin, Gray, Norris, J. R. Smith, Stainton, MacSheehy, and Young.

*December 7th.*—This was the last meeting of the year, and considering the weather it was quite a good one. There were eight students present: Misses Kitching, M. Conder, MacSheehy, Gray, Davis, Young, Franklin, and Thorp, and Miss J. R. Smith and her two pupils joined us for a few moments during the afternoon. General talk was the order of the day until tea was over, then Miss Mason's letter to the *Times* on the Montessori Method (kindly sent by Mrs. Franklin) was read, and we spent some little time discussing it. After that Miss Kitching gave us a very interesting account of a musical gymnastic demonstration by Mons. Dalcroze, given at the London University on November 25th. The subject was fresh to most of us, so that it was specially nice to hear about it. Miss Kitching seemed to think that up to a certain point the method was excellent, and procured excellent results, but that beyond that point it was rather worked to death. A little more talk followed and we separated, wishing each other a happy Christmas, and feeling that the holidays were very near at hand.

### S.E.C. ELECTION.

The present S.E.C. will have served its two years of office at Easter, and a new Committee will have to be appointed. This consists of seven representative members and the Editor and Secretary of the Association, all of whom should be within easy reach of town, so as to be able to attend the meetings as regularly as possible. All present members may offer themselves for re-election, and the Secretary will be pleased to receive the names of any student



who would be willing to serve if elected. It is hoped that all students whose posts are in or near London will send in their names, so that there may be a good election, details of which will be published later. The duties are by no means arduous, and due notice is always given of the Committee meetings, so that members may make their arrangements accordingly. Miss Gray will be pleased to receive the names of intending candidates as soon as possible.

### REPORT OF S.E.C. MEETING.

Held on Nov. 16th, at 3.30, at 31, Seymour Place, Compton Street. Members present: Mrs. Hughes-Jones, Misses Kitching, Davis, Evans, Franklin, Gray, and Wix.

Letters of resignation were read from Misses Owen and Bishop, whose work now lies too far from town for them to serve on the Committee any longer. Miss Judd was chosen to take Miss Owen's place and represent year 1904, and Miss Chaplin to take the place of Miss Bishop and represent the later years.

As the Students' Conference has been postponed until 1914, it was thought that it would be a good plan to have a "Students' Day" at the end of the P.N.E.U. Conference that is to be held in London early in May. Saturday, May 10th, was spoken of as the most likely date, and it was suggested that the morning might be devoted to lessons and discussions, and the afternoon to a social gathering and tea. Details of time and place were left to be settled later, but meantime suggestions would be gladly received by any member of the Committee.

Some little time was spent in discussing the Magazine, and we all felt that there is still a great deal of room for improvement, though we are moving slowly in the right direction. Much more use might be made of the *Plant* for carrying on discussions, and for bringing before the notice of students present-day problems of social work, women's

work, and other matters, particularly in their reference to us as teachers. It was decided to drop the September number altogether, as students are then busy holiday-making, and their minds are given to other things.

The coming election of a new Committee was also discussed, but details in connection with this were left to be decided later on.

It was also suggested that it would help the children working in the school to realise that they belong to a large body, if exercise books with some special cover could be procured to use throughout the school. We decided to write to headquarters and see whether anything could be done in this direction, and to report later.

### BIRTHS.

CRADDOCK.—On August 20th, 1911, to Mrs. E. Craddock, a son.

ILSLEY.—On September 6th, 1912, to Mrs. Ilsley, a daughter, her eighth child.

PYPER.—On December 17th, at Manston, nr. Ramsgate, Elizabeth, wife of Richard Bevan Pyper, of a son.

### MARRIAGES.

MAUGHAN—STRACHAN.—At St. James' Episcopal Church, Dollar, N.B., on November 6th, by the Rev. W. Gwyther, Archibald Dickson Kilgour Maughan, elder son of the late J. A. Maughan, P.W.D., India and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and of Mrs. Maughan, The Cottage, Dollar, to Mabel, second daughter of John Strachan, M.D., Dollar. News has also reached the Editor of the marriages of G. E. Martin (1894), name unknown; E. G. Dixon (1895) (Mrs. H. Bunce Northcote); M. Ambler (1898) (Mrs. Douglas Meares); M. Beatty (1906) (Mrs. Peter Milne); and K. G. Orr (1910) (Mrs. C. H. Maxwell).